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The Honorable Malcolm R. Currie Director of Defense Research and Engineering Department of Defense Washington, D.C. 20301

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Dear Mal:

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I agree with the points made in your letter. The Human Resources Committee is forming a permanent R&D subcommittee to assist in the community HUMINT R&D effort. This subcommittee will provide an initial cross-organization, working-level mechanism for the community. Community Staff, working with the Human Resources Committee, is undertaking an effort to attain essential improvements in training and personnel selection along the lines you and others have suggested. After we have completed a survey of available training programs in industry on interpersonal skills, we will review our findings with the Council. recommendations the R&D Council might then make for longer term R&D efforts in the human skills areas would be most beneficial.

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Thank you for your constructive assistance.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Response to Dr. Currie's Letter

on HUMINT R&D

1. Dr. Currie has provided you a thoughtful and constructive report on the Intelligence R&D Council's reactions to the HUMINT R&D presentation given 30 July. His comments are valid and helpful.

- 2. The Council observes that the community has no effective HUMINT R&D program. We recognized this earlier on and have established a permanent R&D Sub-Committee of the Human Sources Committee. The IC Staff has obtained the services for one year of a full-time R&D professional, from DDS&T who will be providing a focal point for this HSC effort. This sub-committee will address long-term hardware and human skills R&D support to human sources information collection and reporting.
- The deficiencies in training and personnel selection can be attacked directly in the short term. We see two major phases here; first, one in which we seek to identify, assemble, and exploit what government and private industry/business experience can contribute in the human skills and cross-cultural disciplines; secondly, an effort to develop educational programs within our government training institutions which can exploit such past experience and meet our non-sensitive, national-level information-gathering and reporting needs. This might call for Foreign Service Institute joint training, doctrine, and cultural exchanges among the departments and agencies involved in international activity and information reporting. This task is ambitious, but we must attack it. We now have a new Foreign Service officer, on the IC Staff. I plan to have him address this problem.

4. I recommend you sign the attached letter which responds briefly to the recommendations of Dr. Currie.

Samuel V. Wilson Lieutenant General, USA D/DCI/IC

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- provided Dr. Currie a draft letter with an input from HUMINT Branch. Dr. Currie's letter incorporated these suggestions, adding personal emphasis.
 - b. The proposed response from the DCI:
 - 1) thanks Dr. Currie for his personal suggestions and R&D Council assistance, and
 - 2) outlines two specific follow-up efforts (described in your memo to the Director).

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- 3. RECOMMENDATIONS:
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